

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend paragraph [0063] as follows:

[0063] In a third process, as shown in FIG. 10B, the pump inlet-side valve V1 and the discharge valve V4 are closed, whereby the liquid introduction flow path 45 and the liquid discharge flow path 48 each become closed. Further, the pump discharge-side valve V2 and the deaeration valve V3 are opened, whereby the pump outlet flow path 42 and the exhaust flow path 51 each become opened. Under this condition, the discharging operation of the pump 11 is performed. By the discharging operation of the pump 11, the bubbles that exist inside the filter 41 [[and]] are moved on the side of the filter inlet 41a and are exhausted from the vent port 41c into the exhaust flow path 51. This makes it possible to remove the bubbles collected inside the filtration film of the filter 41.